

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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COUNTY OF RICHLAND)
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IN RE:)
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ANNUAL REVIEW OF PURCHASED)
GAS ADJUSTMENT AND GAS)
PURCHASING POLICIES OF)
PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS)
COMPANY, INC.)
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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2016-4-G

**VERIFIED APPLICATION FOR
ADMISSION *PRO HAC VICE* OF
MELINDA L. VERVAIS
IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

Comes now Melinda L. Vervais, applicant herein, and respectfully represents the following:

1. Applicant resides at 2013 Charlotte Drive, Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina 28203. Telephone: (704)-377-0490.
2. Applicant is an attorney and a member of the law firm of Moore & Van Allen PLLC with offices at 100 North Tryon Street, Suite 4700, Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina 28202-4003. Telephone: 704-331-3564. Fax Number: 704-378-1984.
3. Applicant has been retained personally or as a member of the above named law firm by Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. to provide legal representation in connection with the above matter now pending before the above named tribunal of the State of South Carolina.

4. Since August of 2006, applicant has been, and presently is, a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of the State of North Carolina where applicant regularly practices law. Attached is a certificate of good standing.

5. Applicant has been admitted to practice before the following courts:

<u>Court</u>	<u>Date Admitted</u>
North Carolina Supreme Court	August 25, 2006

Applicant is presently a member in good standing of the bars of those courts listed above and has not been suspended or disbarred in any court.

6. Applicant presently is not subject to any suspension or disbarment proceedings, and has not been formally notified of any complaints pending before a disciplinary agency.

7. Applicant never has had any application for admission *pro hac vice* in this or any other jurisdiction denied or any *pro hac vice* admission revoked.

8. Applicant never has had any certificate or privilege to appear and practice before any administrative body suspended or revoked.

9. Local counsel of record associated with applicant in this case is Jeremy C. Hodges of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough, L.L.P., 1320 Main Street, Suite 1700, Columbia, South Carolina 29201. SC Bar Number: 71123, Telephone: 803-255-9766.

10. Applicant has previously filed an application to appear *pro hac vice* in the following South Carolina cases:

Public Service Commission
Of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive
Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina
29210

Docket No. 2015-4-G
Piedmont Natural Gas
Company Annual
Review of the
Purchased Gas
Adjustment and Gas
Purchasing Policies

Local Counsel
Jeremy C.
Hodges

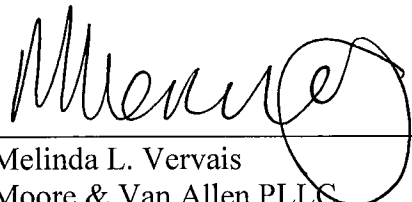
Application
May 19,
2015

Granted
June 4,
2015

11. Applicant agrees to comply with the applicable statutes, laws and rules of the State of South Carolina and will familiarize herself with and comply with the South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct. Applicant consents to the jurisdiction of the South Carolina courts and Commission on Lawyer Conduct.

12. Applicant respectfully requests to be admitted to practice in the above named tribunal for this case only.

DATED this 9th day of May, 2016.



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Supreme Court OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA



I, Christie S. Cameron Roeder, Clerk of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, do hereby certify that on August 25, 2006, license to practice as an Attorney and Counselor at Law in all the Courts of this State was issued by the North Carolina Board of Law Examiners to

MELINDA L. VERVAIS

according to the certified list of licentiates reported by the Secretary of said Board and filed in my office as required by statute.

To the date of this certificate, no order revoking said license has been filed with this Court and no order suspending same is in effect.

WITNESS my hand and the Seal of the Supreme Court of North Carolina at office in Raleigh, this April 26, 2016.



Christie S. Cameron Roeder

Christie S. Cameron Roeder
Clerk of the Supreme Court
of the State of North Carolina

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA)

COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG)

VERIFICATION


I, Melinda L. Vervais, do hereby swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I am the applicant in the above styled matter; that I have read the foregoing application and know the contents thereof; and that the contents are true of my own knowledge, except as to those matters stated on information and belief, and that as to those matters I believe them to be true.


Melinda L. Vervais

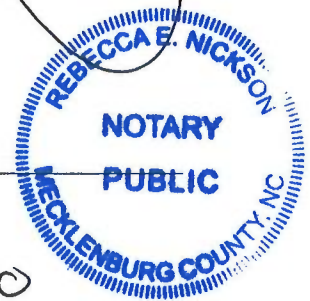
Mecklenburg County, North Carolina

Signed and sworn to before me this day by Melinda L. Vervais

Date: 5/9/16


Mecklenburg, Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 3/16/2020



LOCAL COUNSEL CONSENT

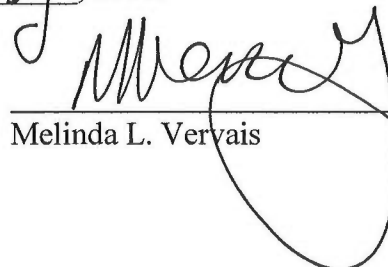
I hereby consent, as local counsel of record, to the association of applicant in this cause pursuant to Rules Governing Admission *Pro Hac Vice* to the South Carolina Bar.

DATED this 5th day of May 2016.


Jeremy C. Hodges

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served a copy of this application upon the South Carolina Supreme Court by mail addressed to: South Carolina Supreme Court Office of Bar Admissions, P.O. Box 11330, Columbia, SC 29211, accompanied by payment of the \$250.00 filing fee payable to the South Carolina Supreme Court on this 9th day of May, 2016.


Melinda L. Vervais

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the attached *Verified Application for Admission Pro Hac Vice of Melinda L. Vervais in the State of South Carolina* is being served this date electronically and via UPS Overnight upon:

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And that a copy of the attached *Verified Application for Admission Pro Hac Vice of Melinda L. Vervais in the State of South Carolina* is being served this date electronically or via U.S. Mail upon:

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This the 9th day of May, 2016.

s/ Melinda L. Vervais
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